Surplus subsidy to fertilizer manufacturing units

† 638. DR. D. MASTHAN:
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain fertilizer manufacturing units had obtained surplus funds from the Government under subsidy during the last few years;

(b) if so the total funds obtained by March 2000 and the names of the units who had received the outstanding funds; and

(c) what steps have been taken by the Government *to* recover the surplus funds of subsidy from these units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS): (a) to (c) The issue of recovery of .surplus funds disbursed under the Retention Price-cum-Subsidy Scheme to the urea manufacturing units in the country is part of the larger issue relating to reassessment of their capacities. The quantum of recoverable subsidy and the names *of* concerned units will depend on the report of the *Committee* of Experts appointed by the Government under the chairmanship of Dr. Y. K. Alagh *vide* Resolution dated i9-5-2000 and Government's decision thereon.

Payment of Retirement Benefits to Ex-Officers

639. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 3661 given in the Rajya Sabha on 28th April, 2000 and state:

(a) the follow up steps taken by the Government for

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.